SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

Gorman Recommended Rate of Return

<u>Line</u>	Description	<u>Ratio</u> (1)	<u>Cost</u> (2)	Weighted Cost (3)	Pre-Tax Weighted <u>Cost</u> (4)
1	Long-Term Debt	43.96%	7.22%	3.17%	3.17%
2	Preferred Stock	4.48%	6.81%	0.31%	0.50%
3	Common Equity	<u>51.56%</u>	10.50%	<u>5.41%</u>	<u>8.80%</u>
4	Total	100.00%		8.89%	12.47%
5	Pre Tax Interest C	overage			3.9
Gross Re	venue Conversion	1.626			

Source: Exhibit D-III, page 1 and Exhibit D-VII, page 1

Comparable Group- Electric and Electric & Gas

<u>Line</u>	Utility	% of Electric <u>Revenues ²</u> (1)	Bond F S&P (2)	Ratings ² Moody's (3)	Net Plant Assets \$ MIL ² (4)	Common E Value Line ¹ (5)	Equity Ratios C.A. Turner ² (6)
1	Ameren Corp.	93%	A+	Aa3	8,624.0	52%	47%
2	Empire District Electric Co.	99%	A-	Baa1	764.2	43%	43%
3	FPL Group, Inc.	87%	Α	Aa3	12,964.0	54%	47%
4	NSTAR	84%	Α	A3	2,725.5	40%	33%
5	Pinnacle West Capital Corp.	90%	A-	A 3	6,125.8	48%	43%
6	Southern Company	86%	A+	A1	23,955.0	42%	37%
7	Average	90%	A	A2	9,193.1	47%	42%
8	South Carolina Electric & Gas ³	80%	A-	А3	3,615.5	52%	NA

Sources:

Note

- (1) Central Vermont was not included in the comparable group because there was no Moody's Bond Rating in CA Turner.
- (2) Green Mountain Power was removed because there was no consensus growth rate data for this company.
- (3) DPL Inc. was removed because it is currently writing off \$155 million of impaired non-regulated assets.

¹ The Value Line Investment Survey, dated Aug. 16, 2002, Sept. 6, 2002 & Oct. 4, 2002.

Value Line excludes short-term debt in calculating the common equity ratio.

² C.A. Turner Utility Reports, October 2002

C.A. Turner includes short-term debt in calculating the common equity ratio.

³ FERC Form 1and Rate Filing.

Consensus Growth Rate Estimate

<u>Line</u>	Utility	Zacks Estimated <u>Growth % ¹</u> (1)	# of <u>Ests.</u> (2)	Multex Estimated Growth % ² (3)	# of <u>Ests.</u> (4)	FirstCall Estimated Growth % 3 (5)	# of <u>Ests.</u> (6)	Avg. of Growth <u>Rates</u> (7)
1	Ameren Corp.	4.14%	8	3.89%	9	4.25%	8	4.09%
2	Empire District Electric Co.	3.00%	1	5.33%	3	5.67%	3	4.67%
3	FPL Group, Inc.	6.23%	13	5.81%	15	6.08%	16	6.04%
4	NSTAR	6.00%	3	5.33%	3	6.40%	5	5.91%
5	Pinnacle West Capital Corp.	6.00%	4	4.83%	6	6.56%	9	5.80%
6	Southern Company	5.17%	12	4.67%	12	5.57%	14	5.14%
7	Average	5.09%		4.98%		5.76%		5.27%

¹ Long-term growth rates downloaded from Zacks.com, Detailed Analyst Estimates.

² Long-term growth rates downloaded from Multexinvestor.com, Earnings Estimates.

³ Long-term growth rates downloaded from ThomsonFN.com, First Call Consensus Estimate

13-Week Average Stock Price Constant Growth DCF Model

<u>Line</u>	<u>Utility</u>	13 Week Average <u>Price ¹</u> (1)	Consensus Average Growth % (2)	Annual Dividend ² (3)	Adjusted <u>Yield</u> (4)	Constant Growth DCF (5)
1	Ameren Corp.	41.97	4.09%	2.54	6.3%	10.4%
2	Empire District Electric Co.	17.16	4.67%	1.28	7.8%	12.5%
3	FPL Group, Inc.	54.74	6.04%	2.32	4.5%	10.5%
4	NSTAR	40.49	5.91%	2.12	5.5%	11.5%
5	Pinnacle West Capital Corp.	29.68	5.80%	1.60	5.7%	11.5%
6	Southern Company	28.57	5.14%	1.37	5.0%	10.2%
7	Average	35.44	5.27%	1.87	5.8%	11.1%

Stock prices downloaded from Yahoo.com, historical quotes

² The Value Line Investment Survey, dated Aug. 16, 2002, Sept. 6, 2002 & Oct. 4, 2002.

Equity Risk Premium

<u>Line</u>	<u>Year</u>	Treasury Bond Yield ¹ (1)	Authorized Electric Returns ² (2)	Indicated Risk <u>Premium</u> (3)
1	1986	7.78%	13.93%	6.15%
2	1987	8.59%	12.99%	4.40%
3	1988	8.96%	12.79%	3.83%
4	1989	8.45%	12.97%	4.52%
5	1990	8.61%	12.70%	4.09%
6	1991	8.14%	12.55%	4.41%
7	1992	7.67%	12.09%	4.42%
8	1993	6.59%	11.41%	4.82%
9	1994	7.37%	11.34%	3.97%
10	1995	6.88%	11.55%	4.67%
11	1996	6.71%	11.39%	4.68%
12	1997	6.61%	11.40%	4.79%
13	1998	5.58%	11.66%	6.08%
14	1999	5.87%	10.77%	4.90%
15	2000	5.94%	11.43%	5.49%
16	2001	5.49%	11.08%	5.59%
16	Average	7.20%	12.00%	4.80%

¹ Economic Report of the President, January, 2001 and the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank website

² Regulatory Research Associates, Inc., Regulatory Focus

Equity Risk Premium

<u>Line</u>	<u>Year</u>	Average Utility Bond Yield ¹ (1)	Authorized Electric Returns ² (2)	Indicated Risk <u>Premium</u> (3)
1	1986	9.46%	13.93%	4.47%
2	1987	9.98%	12.99%	3.01%
3	1988	10.45%	12.79%	2.34%
4	1989	9.66%	12.97%	3.31%
5	1990	9.76%	12.70%	2.94%
6	1991	9.21%	12.55%	3.34%
7	1992	8.57%	12.09%	3.52%
8	1993	7.56%	11.41%	3.85%
9	1994	8.30%	11.34%	3.04%
10	1995	7.91%	11.55%	3.64%
11	1996	7.74%	11.39%	3.65%
12	1997	7.63%	11.40%	3.77%
13	1998	7.00%	11.66%	4.66%
14	1999	7.55%	10.77%	3.22%
15	2000	8.14%	11.43%	3.29%
16	2001	7.71%	11.08%	3.37%
17	Average	8.54%	12.00%	3.46%

¹ Mergent Public Utility Manual, 2000

² Regulatory Research Associates, Inc., Regulatory Focus

Comparable Group Beta

<u>Line</u>	Utility	Value Line <u>Beta ¹</u>
1	Ameren Corp.	0.60
2	Empire District Electric Co.	0.50
3	FPL Group, Inc.	0.50
4	NSTAR	0.60
5	Pinnacle West Capital Corp.	0.50
6	Southern Company	NMF
7	Average	0.54

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CAPM Return Estimate

<u>Line</u>	Description	Historical <u>Premium</u>
1	CAPM	9.6%
2	Rf	5.8%
3	Risk Premium	7.0%
4	Beta	0.54
		Prospective <u>Premium</u>
5	CAPM	9.2%
6	Rf	5.8%
7	Risk Premium	6.3%
8	Beta	0.54